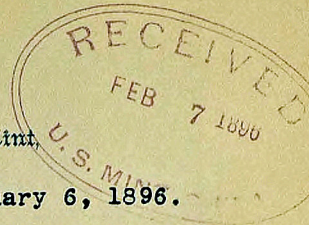


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Washington, D. C. February 6, 1896.



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Director of the Mint.

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